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## Madison races heating up

# Miller, Hamm face election challenges

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

The ho-hum Madison political races took a couple of interesting turns Tuesday night. School board member Sharon Cass, wife of Ward 2 alderman candidate Tom Cass, has challenged the nominating petitions filed by incumbent 2nd Ward Alderman Ralph W. Miller.

There will be an election board hearing on the challenge at 3 p.m. Friday in Edwardsville.

The election board consists of Mayor John Belter, City Clerk Bill Weidner and senior Alderman Norris Horton.

Sharon Cass cited what she called "several irregularities" in Miller's petitions. She said they contained an incomplete

statement of candidacy, contained too many signatures, were incomplete and were circulated by someone other than Miller even though Miller said he circulated them.

Miller said he completed his petitions "as honest as I could." "I want him off the ballot. It's time for a change," Tom Cass said.

After the challenge was announced, Miller asked that the city take action to determine if Alderman John Hamm's two elected offices are incompatible. Hamm also serves on the Madison school board.

About two years ago, Madison City Attorney Casper Nighossian obtained conflicting opinions from then-Attorney General Roland Burris and Madison County

States Attorney Bill Haine regarding the compatibility of the offices of school board member and alderman.

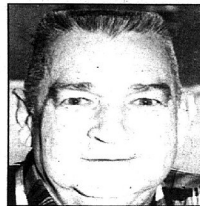
Burris said that the two offices are incompatible because Hamm may not be able to completely represent his constituents — he may have to abstain from voting on city issues that deal with schools or school business that affects the city.

Haine said that Hamm may hold both offices as long as he does not vote on those matters. Nighossian said he agrees with Burris.

"The law is very clear that if you cannot fully represent your constituency, there is an incompatibility of office.... The city and the school board are intertwined on several matters." (See ELECTION, Page 5A)



John Hamm



Ralph Miller

## Davis: School aid proposal a 'scam'

SPRINGFIELD — Downstate Illinois House Democrats are issuing warnings about a bill that would take nearly \$30 million in state school aid from their districts.

Rep. Jay Hoffman of Collinsville, and Steve Davis of Bethalto, were among Democrats Tuesday ripping the bill to change the state school aid formula.

The bill's sponsors, Republican Reps. Ann Hughes of Woodstock and Cal Skinner of Crystal Lake, cited a computer analysis by the State Board of Education indicating the change would shift about \$30 million from Downstate districts and nearly \$18 million from the Chicago district to Chicago suburban counties under current state funding levels.

The bill proposes to reimburse the suburban districts some of their loss in state aid as a result of property tax cap legislation.

The analysis says schools in the sponsors' legislative districts in suburban McHenry County would have received an addition-

al \$4.2 million and \$4.7 million, respectively, if the change had been in effect this year.

In comparison, schools in Hoffman's and Davis' districts would have lost \$414,589 and \$566,058, respectively.

Granite City Community School District 9 would have lost more than \$300,000 under the proposal.

Madison School District 12 — which is certified by the state as being in financial difficulty — would have lost more than \$54,000.

Hoffman said Downstate Democrats are trying to form an alliance with House Republicans and Chicago lawmakers against the suburban lawmakers, who now control the major leadership spots in the Legislature.

Davis called the bill "a reshuffling scam" and argued that suburban schools can afford to spend substantially more on their students just using local tax revenues.

Hoffman said he fears the bill (See AID, Page 5A)

## To the governor Two protest closing of jobless office

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Two area political activists angry about the planned closing of the Illinois Department of Employment Security office in Granite City are sending their message directly to Gov. Jim Edgar.

"What we're doing is sending a wake-up call to Gov. Edgar," said the Rev. John Henry Williams of Venice.

Williams, along with John Love, protested Tuesday with signs outside of the IDES office in the American Village Shopping Center on Fehling Road.

The office has been downsized since August 1992. At that time, there were more than 20 workers to handle unemployment claims and assist clients with job searches.

Today, the office has only four to six workers. It is slated to close July 1. At that time, those needing the services will have to travel to either Edwardsville or Alton.

The signs carried by Williams and Love, addressed directly to Edgar, carried messages such as "Please don't relocate our employment office," "We need and appreciate our employment office," and "The people have suffered enough."

Last week, Granite City Mayor Ron Selph and Madison Mayor John Belcoff both expressed concern and anger about the proposed closure of the



John Love, left, and John Henry Williams protest in front of the local unemployment office on Tuesday.

office here. Selph said he thinks the decision to close the office here has more to do with politics than with practical matters.

Williams has shot off faxes to the governor, state representatives and anyone else who might be able to (See PROTEST, Page 5A)



Staff photo by KYLE HESTER

**Western day** — Students and faculty members at Wilson School got a chance to display their best Western wear last month. Pictured, in back row from left, are Shane Phillips, Daniel Bixler, Ashley Schmidt and Ricky Cariker; in front row, Trey Harris, Chad Harris, Whitney Glasgow, Steven Parker, Stephanie Ellsworth and Ryan Laird; and in front Robert Hayes. See Page 9A for more photos.

## City officials leaning toward 'dirty' recycling plan

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Granite City officials are considering joining several other communities and backing a county-recommended plan to meet the state's recycling mandate by July 1996.

While members of the Madison County Board's Environmental Committee are recommending utilization of a "clean" materials recovery facility (merf), Granite City officials are leaning toward a "mixed waste" or "dirty" merf.

The City Council's Sanitation Committee listened to a presentation by county officials pushing for the clean merf last week. This week, representatives of an Ohio-based company wanting to build a mixed waste merf in the county asked the committee to consider their alternative.

The city pays about \$800,000 a year to Waste Management of Metro East for garbage hauling. City residents currently pay \$6 a month for garbage collection. The city pays an additional \$1.35 per household per month to subsidize the program.

The city's contract with Waste Management

expires in August this year.

The county is encouraging cities to require waste haulers to carry recyclable materials to its facility and guaranteeing 10 years of free tipping fees as an incentive.

Louis Perez, vice president of marketing for Norton Environmental, said that the mixed waste facility would better meet residents and cities' needs for the same price as the county-based plan.

Both factions are seeking commitments from cities to have materials hauled to their respective

facilities.

Alderman Nick Petrillo, chairman of the city's Sanitation Committee, and other aldermen who heard both presentations lean toward the mixed waste facility.

"In the two proposals I heard, the mixed waste facility solves a lot more problems than the state has solved with recycling," Petrillo said.

Yard waste, old tires, white goods (such as refrigerators), and every-day garbage are among the materials a mixed waste facility will accept (See RECYCLING, Page 5A)

## Inside



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## Trivia

What firm will provide construction management services to the Granite City School District for its high school renovation project?

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## 75 years ago

Feb. 2, 1920

The first \$2,500 of \$35,000 capital needed to build a cooperative grain elevator in Mitchell was raised at a recent meeting of Nameoki and Mitchell area farmers.

## Deaths

Enid Shelton  
Evelyn Gipson  
Edwin Hawk  
Anna Walker  
Kenneth Knott  
James Willcutt  
Edward Evans  
Norris Lipe

## No charges in fatal accident

Madison police are still investigating an accident on Highway 203 that killed a 29-year-old Caseyville woman Sunday night.

Laura S. Gresham, of the 2800 block of North 25th Street, was pronounced dead at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City from injuries sustained Sunday night when she was struck by a car on Highway 203 at the Cahokia Canal Bridge, about a quarter of a mile north of the Gateway Truck Stop in Madison.

Madison Police Chief Paul Bargiel said Gresham was southbound on 203 in her 1985 Volkswagen Rabbit at about 10 p.m. when the car struck the small bridge over the Cahokia Canal. Gresham pulled to the side of the road, stepped out of her car and was struck by a second southbound vehicle, Bargiel said.

Gresham was taken to SEMC and pronounced dead.

Bargiel would not identify the car or driver that struck Gresham. He said the driver, a woman, stopped at the scene and police questioned her. He also declined to say if there were any passengers in the second car.

The St. Clair County State's Attorney's office decided not to pursue charges early Monday morning, but the matter is still under investigation. (See ACCIDENT, Page 5A)

## Wolf to head '95 WINGS campaign

Holocaust survivor, local contractor and community philanthropist Leo Wolf will chair the fourth annual We're Investing in New Growth at St. Elizabeth Medical Center (WINGS) campaign.

WINGS supports health care services for every person in the community. Wolf's leadership in the campaign, which begins March 29, continues his strong support for charitable causes in this area.

"I came to this area from Germany as a stranger," Wolf said. "This city was very good to me, and I want to give back as much as I can."

In 1994, the WINGS campaign raised more than \$157,000, surpassing its goal. The campaign supported a remodeling and expansion of SEMC's clinic, which was renamed the Koch Family Health Center.

The center subsidizes basic, quality health care for area individuals, children and families who are out of work or uninsured and cannot afford private physician care.

WINGS also supported improvements to the emergency room. "When an accident occurs, in my company or in the homes of my employees, where do we go for help?" asked Wolf. "We go to St. Elizabeth Medical Center."

"The sisters have never turned anybody away who needed help. I know what it is like to not have much. That is the way I started out; but whether people have insurance or a way to pay or not, the sisters have never turned anyone away."

Wolf is past president of both the Home Builders Association and the Southern Illinois Home Builders Association. He is chairman of the board of the Southern Illinois Carpenters' District Council Health, Welfare and Pension Fund, and he sits on the board of the Health, Welfare and Pension Fund of Laborers' 397, 160 and 87. Wolf is also a former board member of the Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce.

He is currently cochairman of the St. Louis Holocaust Commission and is spearheading the building of a St. Louis museum dedicated to remembering the atrocities of the Holocaust.



Leo Wolf presents a check to Sister Mary Thomas, chairman of the board at SEMC, and John Mohol, SEMC director of development. They are standing in front of the Wolf Medical Building, named in honor of Wolf's family.

## New sentencing bill proposed

SPRINGFIELD — Some lawmakers are pushing a low-cost truth-in-sentencing proposal by targeting only violent offenders.

State lawmakers this year will debate two proposals aimed at forcing criminals to spend a minimum of 85 percent of their sentences behind bars.

One version would apply to all offenders while another would cut costs by applying to only the most violent criminals.

Keeping all prison inmates in jail for 85 percent of their sentence would cost taxpayers more than \$500 million a year, said Rep. Rod Blagojevich, D-Chicago, supporter of the pared down version.

He said that by targeting violent offenders rather than all criminals, his bill would cost only \$44 million over 10 years.

Rep. Al Salvi, R-Wauconda,

the bill's sponsor, said he is going to try to exclude criminals already in jail, which would further reduce the cost of the proposal.

"In the first few years there will be no cost associated with the bill," Salvi said. He said he hopes the measure will reduce crime, which would further lower costs to society.

Rep. Steve Davis, D-Bethalto, was one of three Democratic House candidates who last November successfully pushed for passage of a Madison County advisory referendum in favor of truth in sentencing.

"If the Blagojevich-Salvi proposal is the best we can get out of this Legislature, so be it," Davis said. "But I would like to see it go further."

"I just want truth in sentencing in Illinois," said Rep. Jay

Hoffman, D-Collinsville, who is sponsoring legislation that would apply to all felons.

Hoffman said he would rather see his version pass but would support the other measure.

"I would like to see our version, where judges are actually sentencing people to the time they are going to serve," he said. "Then it is a true system, and not just smoke and mirrors."

The two bills passed the House last year but were stalled in the Senate. Partisan feuding, Blagojevich said, killed his bill.

To avoid a recurrence, he said he handed his bill over to Salvi, a Republican.

"Our leaders allowed partisan bickering to come before the public safety," Blagojevich said. "With a new Republican sponsor, there is no reason that this bill should not be Illinois law within a few weeks."

— From the Alton Telegraph

## 4 charged with battery, kidnapping

Three Washington Park men and a woman from Madison were charged Monday with various counts of kidnapping and aggravated battery with a firearm in connection with a shooting incident Jan. 24.

Anthony Turner and Toriano A. Bohanna, both of Washington Park, were charged with one count each of kidnapping and aggravated battery.

Eugene Jones of Washington Park and Richard A. Wooten of Madison were charged with one count each of kidnapping. According to warrants issued by the St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office, the four men confined James Hunt against his will Jan. 24. Turner and Bohanna allegedly shot William Henderson in the leg during the same incident.

Turner, 25, of the 5400 block of Avon Avenue and Bohanna, 23, of the 5700 block of Halows were being held on \$200,000 each in the St. Clair County Jail.

Jones, 26, of the 1400 block of North 55th Street and Wooten, 27, of the 1500 block of Fifth Street each were being held on \$75,000 bond.

## Man arrested over car damage

David M. Gargac, 31, of the 4300 block of Breckenridge Lane in Granite City, was arrested last week and charged with criminal damage to property over \$300.

Gargac, who is separated from his wife, allegedly damaged his wife's car when she went to his home to recover some of her property, according to a Madison County Sheriff's Department report.

Bond was set at \$25,000.

## News in review

News in review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is designed for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record Journals.

## Partney quits council race

Citing health reasons, two-term 4th Ward Alderman Dan Partney announced last week that he will withdraw his name from the April 4 ballot and not seek re-election to a third term. "This is the hardest thing I've ever had to do," Partney said. Partney is a diabetic and has had problems with high blood pressure.

## Tee-ball program expanded

The Granite City Park District will expand its tee-ball and ponytail softball programs this year to include six- and seven-year-olds.

To facilitate the expansion, the district is building an additional ball field at Worthen Park.

## Annexation disputed

About a dozen residents of the Cedar View Subdivision who want out of Pontoon Beach engaged in arguments and shouting matches with members of the village board last week.

The residents threatened lawsuits and accused the board of acting illegally to annex the subdivision. Many said they will have to pay higher property taxes for services they were already receiving.

Village board members said the annexation was done legally and that it was unfair to other residents of the village for Cedar View residents to benefit from village services such as lighting and street work without paying for them.

## Debate sought in Pontoon

The United For Progress Party in Pontoon Beach has issued a challenge.

Members of the party seeking election April 4 have challenged candidates of the Village Improvement Party to not erect signs prior to the election and to participate in a series of three debates.

The VIP party has not yet responded to the challenge.

## Candidate staying in race

If elected 1st Ward alderman, Dale Barnhart Sr. may not be able to take office.

Barnhart, 47, of the 2600 block of Lincoln Avenue, has a felony record, is currently on probation and is wanted on an active warrant out of Brevard County, Florida, for violating that probation.

Barnhart is seeking to unseat incumbent 1st Ward Alderman Bob Page in the April 4 election.

Although state election law prohibits convicted felons from holding municipal office, Barnhart—who is candid about his record—said he will not withdraw his candidacy.

## Five lawyers censured for loans

Prominent personal injury lawyer Morris B. Chapman, with offices at 1406 Niedringhaus Ave., along with Bob Bosslet and Terry O'Leary, two associates with Chapman's firm, and Glenn Bradford, a former Chapman associate now practicing in East Alton, were all censured by the Illinois Supreme Court last week for loaning money to clients for living expenses while the clients' cases were pending.

The case brought before the Illinois Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission (ARD) was followed by plaintiff personal injury attorneys throughout the state. The ruling is the first by the Supreme Court since 1980, when it changed the rules for attorneys who loan clients money while the clients' cases were pending.

A censure is a written notice of improper conduct. It could be used against the attorneys if future violations are alleged.

Chapman's daughter, Melissa Rheinecker, also an associate in the Chapman firm, was reprimanded in the same case.

She did not personally co-sign any loans for clients, the ARDC found.

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# Special judicial elections get little support

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois Supreme Court is calling on lawmakers to conduct separate elections for judges, but area election officials think the idea ought to be ruled out of order.

In its annual report to the General Assembly, the Supreme Court Monday asked for the change, claiming that the current system, in which judges run along with candidates for other offices, diverts voter attention from the qualifications of judicial candidates.

Circuit judges are elected to an initial six-year term by a majority of the voters, they must get 60 percent approval to retain the office for subsequent terms.

Madison County Chief Circuit Judge Edward C. Ferguson said he did not want to take a position that would contradict the high court but saw no need to hold separate elections. "From my standpoint as someone who runs in these elections, I don't personally see the need to change it, but reasonable men may differ," he said. "Maybe there is a problem in other parts of the state."

Critics argue that the move would add to the tax burden without solving any problem.

"It would be an additional expense at a time when we are looking at holding down costs," said Jersey County Clerk Linda Crotchett. She estimated it would cost another \$30,000 for Jersey County to hold a separate judicial election.

"If the Supreme Court prevails, what other group would want their own election — school board members perhaps?" she asked.

"I can't see that it would

serve any good purpose," she said, arguing that voter apathy might increase if people had to cast ballots more often for isolated judicial elections.

"Mercy!" said Madison County Clerk Debbie Saltich, when told of the court's recommendation. "It's like we have an election every time we turn around."

Saltich noted that the existing election cycle is already difficult. The general election was held in November, and already her office is gearing up for a primary in February and municipal elections in April.

"I don't think we need another election," she said. "I expect that (a separate judicial election) would cost a lot of money," said Ronald Michaelson, director of the State Board of Elections. "(The board) would question whether it is a sound recommendation."

Michaelson estimated that the extra election would cost Illinoisans \$2 million just to hire three election judges per polling place. Adding other expenses such as printing and renting polling places would drive the cost much higher, Michaelson said.

The request goes against past election reform efforts, Michaelson said.

The Legislature consolidated elections into fewer dates 15 years ago in response to dwindling voter turnout. In the long run, Michaelson said, consolidating elections was a good move for Illinois because turnout has increased, it is more convenient for voters and it has saved the state money.

— From the Alton Telegraph



**Lots of biscuits** — Granite City Rotary Club President Rosemarie Brown, left, presents Police Chief Dave Ruebhausen, right, with a check for \$1,000. The Rotary Club made the donation to help defray the costs associated with a new K-9 officer. At center are Sgt. Curt Walkenbach and K-9 officer Bak.

## Antitrust lawyer hired by grocery store union

GODFREY — A prominent antitrust lawyer has been hired by a union to examine Schnuck Markets Inc.'s announced purchase of 60 National Super Markets stores.

Keith Shugarman, chief of the antitrust department of Goodwin, Procter & Hoar, Washington, D.C., confirmed Monday he had been hired by Local 655 of the United Food and Commercial Workers, St. Louis.

The union has been trying to persuade Schnuck to be fair with employees from the National stores, including outlets in Granite City and other Metro-East communities.

"We're examining the relationship of antitrust laws to the potential merger," Shugarman said. "We're looking to see if the merger would affect prices and availability of products to consumers."

The deal between Schnuck and National needs approval of the Federal Trade Commission because it would double the number of Schnucks stores in the St. Louis area, giving the chain about half the major chain supermarkets.

Shugarman said he will try to examine documents of the negotiations between Schnuck and National.

Officials of Local 655 and United Food and Commercial Workers

Union Local 881 in Edwardsville, representing National and Schnucks employees in the area, Bend, could not be reached for comment.

A petition drive by National employees in Godfrey to win public support against the sale was stopped last week after complaints from Schnuck.

Schnuck apparently complained to National's parent company, Loblow Companies Ltd. of Toronto, a National employee said.

Employees in the Godfrey store had hundreds of names on petitions before they were told to remove them from checkout counters.

— From the Alton Telegraph

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## Retired teachers' health insurance topic of hearing

A public hearing this month will look for answers to the financial crisis threatening affordable health insurance for retired teachers.

"We have more than 3,000 retired teachers and administrators in the Madison County region alone, people who retired on budgets that depended on the solvency of the retirement system managed by the state," Madison County Regional Schools Superintendent Harry Briggs said. "These are people who worked hard and played by the rules. They are people who are now vulnerable."

Briggs will conduct the hearing, set for 7 p.m. Feb. 15 in the County Board Room of the Madison County Administration Building.

Premiums for a health insurance program provided by the Teachers' Retirement System will have to be quadrupled by about June 30 unless a new funding mechanism is in place.

The Legislature set up the program in the late 1970s, financing it with retiree premiums and earnings on pension fund investments not to exceed \$30 million yearly.

A surplus that developed in the 1980s led the Legislature to reduce retiree premiums to 25 percent from 50 percent of program costs. The rates attracted more participants.

Since then, however, health care costs have gone up, an early retirement incentive has made more people eligible for coverage and the federal government has ruled that investment earnings on pension funds cannot be used to subsidize premiums.

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If someone is injured on your property, can you make subsequent repairs to the property without fear that this will be used against you if the case goes to trial? Many landowners in this situation are reluctant to fix or alter the property where a guest has been injured because they feel this may demonstrate that there was negligence originally. As a general rule in Illinois, evidence of subsequent repairs is not admissible to show prior negligence.

In one recent case, a police officer slipped and fell on ice that had accumulated on a porch step at a residence. He fell on his back, and was eventually terminated by the police department for medical reasons. He later filed suit against the landowner, alleging that he had permanent injuries which had resulted in substantial medical bills and lost wages.

At the time of the officer's fall, the house had one front porch step which was located directly beneath the slope of the porch roof. The porch roof had no guttering, and water dripped from the roof onto the step and froze. Had there been guttering, the water could have been diverted, and presumably the ice would not have accumulated on the step.

Two years after the accident, the landowner made repairs to the front porch step and installed gutters for the porch roof. When the case came to trial, the plaintiff attempted to introduce evidence of these subsequent repairs, including photographs of the house taken after the repairs were completed. The trial court excluded this evidence, and the jury returned a verdict in favor of the landowner. The injured police officer appealed the decision, and one issue was whether the evidence of subsequent repairs was properly excluded.

The Appellate Court affirmed the decision of the trial court and noted that evidence of subsequent repairs is inadmissible to show prior negligence. The Court emphasized that one reason for this rule was that the repair may merely be motivated by the landowner's desire to exercise the highest care and therefore not be an admission of negligence. The second reason why such evidence is inadmissible is that as a matter of public policy, "the taking of corrective measures should not be discouraged by allowing evidence thereof."

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# Opinion

## Editorials

### Remove recycling cloud

(The following editorial is from the Alton Telegraph.)  
It's surprising that some Madison County Board members apparently haven't fully understood the recycling issues they've voted on in recent years.

But since the competition between proponents of clean vs. dirty materials recovery facilities, or merfs, has taken such a political turn, we think the County Board should convene a special meeting to re-examine the issue.

We think the record bears out that the board has generally endorsed the concept of curbside recycling — in fact setting a July 1996 requirement that communities establish curbside programs unless they are able to come up with some other way to meet state recycling requirements.

Nevertheless, the curbside method now is getting a serious challenge from dirty merf backers.  
Essentially, dirty merfs are high-tech plants that accept mixed waste and separate it into recyclables, organic materials that can be processed into fuel pellets and waste that must be landfilled.

Clean merfs receive, process and redistribute recyclables that have been sorted by the consumer.

Both processes have their advocates. Clean merfs are by far the most common method of dealing with recyclables across the nation and force consumers to become more environmentally conscious.

Dirty merfs require no re-education of consumers, and their newer technology is still growing, expanding and improving.

For the better part of a decade, Madison County has steered steadily toward curbside recycling and clean merfs. In recent months, however, Wood River officials have become convinced that a dirty merf in their environmental business park is the way to go. The two sides are locked in battle for municipalities' garbage, the raw material that makes either type of plant run.

The controversy has begun to divide the County Board. Wood River's board representative, Tony Bosich, is calling for a special meeting to address what he calls a "big controversy."

Board member Don Rea of Granite City counters that the board committee that has dealt with the issue for many years has "done a terrific job" and accuses Wood River of "trying to dictate to the rest of the county what they'll pay for their trash pickup."

The debate, we're certain, is bound to become more heated, driven as it is by strongly held environmental beliefs and strong investment and profit considerations.

It would be a mistake to allow that divisiveness to threaten the county's efforts to meet state recycling deadlines.

We think the board should quickly move to address members' doubts and answer their questions, even if it appears that any doubts and questions should have already been answered in the long process that led to this point.

Recycling is far too important an issue to every one of the county's residents to allow it to proceed under a cloud.

## Letters to the editor

### 'Social affairs' not all silliness

TO THE EDITOR:  
I have never written to a newspaper editor before, but I felt I had to do so. The letter is in regard to the article written by Carol Clarkin in the Jan. 19 Press-Record.

I agree with her viewpoint about the lady who refused to address her own thank-you card envelope at her niece's bridal shower. But, her statement that she "abhors bridal showers, baby showers, kitchenware and beauty advice parties and the silly games and cooking" is taking it a bit too far.

There are a lot of people, myself included, who enjoy these social get-togethers. Her article made me feel stupid and guilty that I, an adult person who works and attends college, could enjoy these ridiculous "silly affairs."

These "social affairs" are a way for some to relax with friends and family. So, I think Carol Clarkin ought to lighten up and stop acting like she is contributing so much to the world by not attending these "silly affairs."

PATRICIA A. PICKETT  
Granite City

### Student seeks information

TO THE EDITOR:  
I am a fifth-grade student at Truman Benedict School in San Clemente, Calif. Our class is doing state reports. I have chosen the state of Illinois because I am moving there this summer, and I think this state is interesting. I would like to learn more about this amazing state.

I am hoping that some of your readers would be interested in sending me any information they can on Illinois. This information can be pictures, maps, history, personal letters, postcards or anything your readers feel could help me do well on my report. I would like to know about the history, land regions, economy, business, state and national parks, as well as any other points of interest.

Information can be sent to Carrie Mathews, in care of Mr. Neely's class, 1261 S. San Clemente, San Clemente, Calif., 92673. I am looking forward to hear-

ing from your readers soon.  
CARRIE MATHEWS  
San Clemente, Calif.

### 'Noels' spread joy at holiday

TO THE EDITOR:  
I wanted to let the people of Nameoki Township know about the dedication and hard work that some of your neighbors take each year during the holiday season to help their fellow man. I called the "Noels" and they distribute food, toys and such at Christmas time. These individuals who work very hard every year are Faye Mercer and Marlene Miller. They spend a lot of time and energy on this program and the only thanks they get is their own satisfaction of a job well done. These individuals are giving me the opportunity to help you and the others on this worthwhile endeavor.

HELEN HAWKINS  
Granite City

### She's appalled at statement

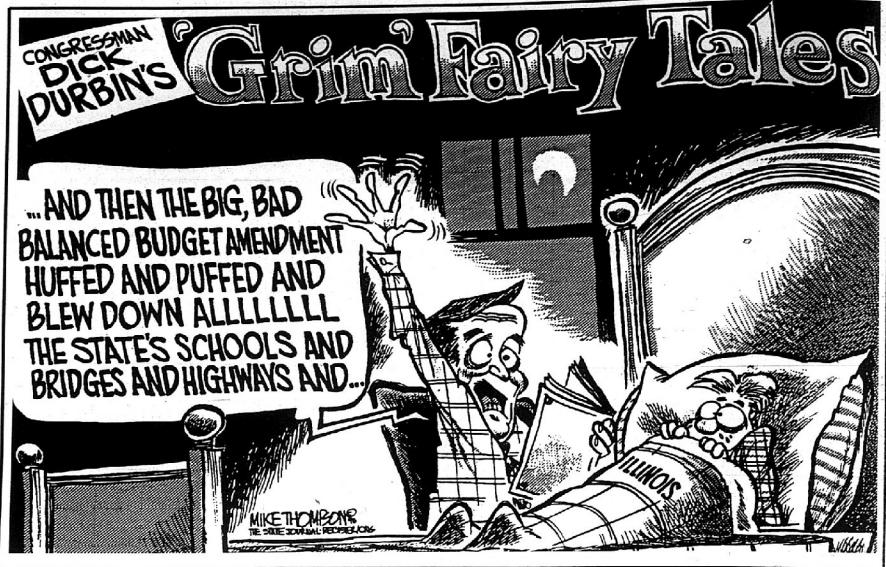
TO THE EDITOR:  
The article "Judge selection angers coalition" appeared in a recent newspaper.  
I was appalled when I read the statement by the Rev. John H. Williams, Venice, which said in part, "I'll vote for a Republican or I'd vote for a Communist who going to do something for minorities."

It's sad when an American states that he would vote for a Communist.  
Williams is entitled to his opinion that Duane Bailey was not appointed because he is a black — a minority. Ann Callis, the appointee, is also of a minority, as I am.

I, too, favor better government for Madison County, but The Madison County Coalition for Better Government would do well to select members who have American ideas for our better government.

Thinking a Communist in our court system would be an improvement is totally unacceptable.

Sorry that Duane Bailey was not selected, but I say to Ann Callis, "Congratulations!"  
GEORGINA TIEMANN  
Troy



## Simpson trial captivates viewers

Maybe I've watched too many episodes of Angela Lansbury's "Murder She Wrote" on television.

In that show, you can be sure somebody is going to be murdered. You can count on police or prosecutors charging a suspect with circumstantial but definitive evidence.

And you know that Angela will point out the errors and help determine the real villain.

How closely that formula applies to the O.J. Simpson trial is unclear. But the defense would like the public and the jury to think that the former football star has been falsely accused.

It is being contended investigators "rushed to judgment instead of pursuing all possible leads, testimony and evidence."

This haste by overworked law enforcers to conclude a case, as demonstrated every week on "Murder She Wrote," involves quickly selecting a logical suspect and then looking for information that confirms and fits the theory of his or her guilt.

I didn't watch "Perry Mason" TV dramas as often as the current "Murder She Wrote" series.  
But I recall that Mason, a skilled defense lawyer, not only would prove his client's innocence but usually also would persuade the true killer to confess from a speaker's seat in the back row of the hearing.

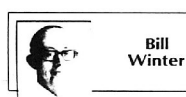
A week prior to the start of the O.J. Simpson trial, I was dismayed to hear a young television newscaster refer to the upcoming court proceedings as "the trial of the century."

Disappointed but not surprised. After all, some of the more notable trials of the century occurred before this kid was born and a lot of these youngsters aren't particularly distinguished for their attention to research.

Without undue mental stress, I could name at least five American trials which, for varying reasons, could qualify better for first place in the 20th century.

For starters, the 1921 trial of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti for the 1920 killing of a paymaster and his guard in South Braintree, Massachusetts. The criminals took \$15,776 from the shoe factory paymaster, money that was never traced or recovered. The two men, admittedly members of a small East Boston anarchist group, were indicted in September of 1920 and on July 14, 1921, found guilty of first-degree murder. Sentenced to death and executed in August of 1927 after nearly six years of post-trial motions and multiple attempts for appeals.

The Sacco-Vanzetti case became a cause celebre throughout the world, sparking protest meetings, petitions from such notables as Albert Einstein, Anatole France, and Thomas Masaryk, picketing of the statehouse in Boston and even bombings of America



Bill Winter

Such a confession by a nonexpert doesn't seem likely in the Simpson courtroom, where it is being debated whether anyone is trying diligently to find another person or persons to accuse.

Certainly, in real life rather than fiction, the case will not be resolved neatly and tidily within an hour's television time.

Interested TV watchers, and suspect, or whether there merely has been sloppy and misleading investigative work, prosecution and conviction of the athlete-actor would be a tremendous miscarriage of justice — if O.J. truly is an innocent person.

Of course, if he did commit the savage crimes, he should be dealt with eternally, probably imprisoned for life.

The brutal deaths must be solved and avenged. Yet, many people worry that prosecutors sometimes go for victory, the poll figures to the contrary, bating average.

Do prosecutors strive to prevail, no matter what, rather

than seeking justice and the actual truth of a tragedy?

Most prosecutors undoubtedly are sincere in their beliefs. But not every defendant is guilty, and each needs to be seen as potentially innocent until proven otherwise.

What if O.J. is blameless and the crimes somehow took place due to conflict between drug dealers or users the victims had known? He had better hope that one or more of the 12 jurors develops a reasonable doubt about the neatly-wrapped prosecutorial package.

In "I Want to Tell You," Simpson's book that went on sale Friday, he responded to a few of the approximately 300,000 letters received at his cell since he was jailed without bail several days after the murders.

His voice is heard reading a couple of the chapters in an audio version of the book.

Included is the assertion, "I could never kill anyone, especially Nicole," the beautiful mother of his two youngest children.

Prosecutors told jurors he was motivated to commit horrendous violence due to obsessive jealousy.

Meanwhile, his first wife said that she was never struck by him and that she is confident he is innocent, and incapable, of murder.

Stay tuned as "the trial of the century" unfolds.

On what basis, then, call it the "trial of the century"? Simple. Because the media say so.

Because the media, despite the poll figures to the contrary, believe the American public

embassies and consulates abroad.

How about the 1925 "Monkey trial" in Tennessee of John Scopes, who was convicted of teaching evolution in his public school classroom. It's an issue that isn't dead yet, with periodic efforts by some groups to have "creationism" given equal time in our schools.

Then there was the trial of the Scottsboro "boys" back in the 1930s when nine black youths were convicted of raping two white southern ladies. This happened to be sharing a car on a freight train, as ladies are wont to do. It was a conviction that was followed by a decade (and longer) of appeals, retrials and reconstructions.

Let's not forget two other big trials of our current century, both involving kidnapping and killing: the trial of Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold for the kidnapping and murder of young Bobby Franks; and the trial of Bruno Richard Hauptmann for the kidnapping and death of the infant son of Charles and Anne Mary Kay. This is barely scratching the surface of notable 20th century criminal

## Obituaries

### Anna Walker

Anna Monica (Holst) Walker, of Granite City, died Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1995, at the St. Louis Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Caseyville, Mo. She had been a patient for several months. She was born Jan. 1, 1902, in Sand Prairie, Ill., and was a lifelong resident of Granite City. She was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Granite City, the Ladies Aid of the Navy Mothers' Club, and the Survivors' Club. She was preceded in death by her husband, William Dewayne Walker, who died in 1987; her son, William Dewayne Walker, who died in 1987; her daughter, Ruth G. Crawford, who died in 1992; her parents, John and Mary Amelia (Pruette) Walker, who died in 1992; her brothers, Fred, William, and John C. Holst, who died in 1992; and her sister, Elsie Francis.

Visitation is from Friday at Irwin City Mortuary, 1000 Maryville Road, Granite City, Mo. Services are at 9 a.m. at Holy Family Church, 1000 Maryville Road, Granite City, Mo. The Rev. William Keller officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Granite City, Mo. Kenneth Richard Knapp, Pontoon Beach, Ill., is the officiating minister.

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### Recycling

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and a clean merf will be City Inspector V. J. said the city is looking for a person to participate in curbside recycling implemented in homes. He also must rid of about 100 tires that have been

### Funeral services

Area deaths reported in the week's Sunday edition of newspapers included:

**BARGIEL, Rose** of Granite City, died Saturday, Jan. 28, 1995, at Caseyville Care Center, Caseyville, Mo. Services will be Wednesday at Holy Family Church, Granite City, Mo. Rev. Thomas W. Byrnes, officiating. Arrangements by Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, Mo.

**BECKMANN, (Romann), 92**, of Granite City, died at 2:35 a.m. Jan. 29, 1995, at Colonial Heights, Granite City, Mo. Services will be Wednesday at Holy Family Church, Granite City, Mo. Rev. Thomas W. Byrnes, officiating. Arrangements by Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, Mo.

**HOLST, John C.** of Collinsville, died Thursday, Jan. 28, 1995, at the residence. Services will be Monday at Holy Family Church, Collinsville, Mo. Rev. Thomas W. Byrnes, officiating. Arrangements by Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, Mo.

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**Anna Walker**

Anna Monica (Holst) Walker, 92, of Granite City, died at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1995, at Caseyville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Caseyville, where she had been a patient for two years. She was born Jan. 25, 1903, in Sand Prairie, Ill., and had been a lifelong resident of Granite City.

A garment worker with various companies in St. Louis prior to her retirement in 1968, she was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City, the Ladies Aliter Society and Navy Mothers' Club.

Survivors include two sons, Ernest Gerald Walker of Granite City and Dennis Michael Walker of Richmond, Va.; one daughter, Theresa Pitman of Granite City; one brother, Louis Holst of Collinsville, two sisters, Clara Pryor of Lorraine, Ohio, and Mary Jane Couch of Willoughby, Ohio; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Dewey Walker Sr., who died in 1962; one son, William Dewey Walker Jr., who died in 1987; one daughter, Ruth G. Crawford, who died in 1990; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amelia (Fruetzel) Holst; four brothers, Fred, William, Albert and John C. Holst; and one sister, Elsie Francis.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City.

Services are at 9 a.m. Saturday at Holy Family Catholic Church, 2606 Washington Ave., Granite City, with the Rev. William Fisher officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon. Memorials are requested for Calvary Cemetery Chapel Building Fund.

### Kenneth Knott

Kenneth Richard Knott, 65, of Pontoon Beach, died Monday,

Jan. 30/1995, at his residence after a sudden illness. He was born Dec. 2, 1929, in St. Louis and had been a resident of Pontoon Beach for many years.

A set-up man with Continental Can Company for 31 years, he was of the Baptist faith and a member of Masonic Lodge 655 in Gardenville, Mo., and Kentucky Harness Horseman's Association.

Mr. Knott was a veteran. Survivors include three daughters, Denise Doza of Pontoon Beach, Diane Shepard of St. Louis, and Debra Brennan of St. Louis, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ruth (Manley) Knott, who died in 1976; and his parents, Ivan E. and Esther (Street) Knott.

Services were to be held at 10 a.m. today, Thursday, at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3838 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach, with the Rev. Ed Hart officiating. Burial in Taylor Memorial National Cemetery, St. Louis County.

Memorials are requested for the Memorial Lodge 655 in Gardenville, Mo.

### James Willcutt

James Ronald Willcutt, 50, of Granite City, formerly of Fredericktown, Mo., died at 6:05 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30, 1995, at Madison County Nursing Home, Edwardsville, where he had been a resident for one week. He was born Jan. 14, 1945, in Birmingham, Ala., and had been a resident of Granite City for 20 years.

Mr. Willcutt was of the Baptist faith. Survivors include two brothers, Gary W. Willcutt of Henderson, Colo., and Thomas R. Willcutt of Granite City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Frieda Jayton Willcutt; one sister, Bobbie Ruth Crocker.

Services were to be held at 10 a.m. today, at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., Granite City, with the Rev. David Tyler officiating.

Graveside services and burial will be held at 1 p.m. today at Christian Cemetery, Fredericktown. Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society.

### Edward Evans

Edward James Evans, 75, of Granite City, died at 8:38 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, 1995, at South Sunflower County Hospital, Indiana, Miss. He was born June 16, 1919, in Granite City.

A former supervisor with Reilly Industries, he was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City and the Knights of Columbus and a World War II Army veteran, serving in Italy and receiving three Purple Hearts.

Survivors include two brothers, Tom Evans of Oregon and William C. Evans of Granite City; three sisters, Leona McCoy of Granite City, Betty Christy of Pensacola, Fla., and Susan Zelch of St. Louis; and several nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dora Deane (Holshouser) Evans, whom he married Oct. 25, 1947, in St. Louis, and who died Nov. 19, 1993; and his parents, Harry Leo Evans and Mary Elizabeth (Cardwell) Evans.

Services were to be held at 9 a.m. today, Thursday, at Holy Family Catholic Church, 2606 Washington Ave., Granite City, with the Rev. William Fisher officiating. Burial in Calvary Cemetery will be at 11 a.m. Services are requested for the Memorial Lodge 655 in Gardenville, Mo.

### Norris Lipe

Norris B. Lipe, 74, of Murphysboro, died Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1995, at his home. He was born Oct. 15, 1920, in Murphysboro.

An officer with Granite City Steel prior to his retirement, he was a member of First Pentecostal Church in Murphysboro, City Temple of God in Granite City and St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Local 16 and a World War II Army veteran.

Survivors include one son, Norris Timothy Lipe of Granite City; two daughters, Deborah Ellidge and Linda Hughes, both of Murphysboro; two sisters, Bernice of Edwardsville and Mamie Gillespie of Alabama; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty Jean (Mifflin) Lipe; one daughter, who died in infancy; his parents, Elbert T. and Alma May (Worthern) Lipe; and one brother.

Services are at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, at Crawshaw Funeral Home, 1421 Walnut St., Murphysboro, with the Rev. Philip Nordling, Burial will be in Tower Grove Cemetery, Murphysboro.

Memorials are requested for the First Pentecostal Church or the Hospice of Southern Illinois Inc.

### Evelyn Gipson

Evelyn Ruth (Glore) Gipson, 83, of Mount Olive, formerly of Granite City, died at 12:35 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30, 1995, at St. Francis

Hospital, Litchfield. She was born May 10, 1911, in St. Charles, Mo.

A homemaker, she was a former supervisor with the Army Depot in Granite City. Survivors include two sons, James W. Gipson Sr. and George T. Gipson, both of Mount Olive, one daughter, Catherine Harris of Carlinville, Ill.; one sister, Irene Cardwell of Jacksonville, Fla.; 11 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dillard William Gipson, whom she married May 29, 1925, in Edwardsville, and who died Aug. 10, 1961; her parents, George and Ida Virginia (Porter) Glore; one brother, Mickey Ryan Glore; and three sisters, Elizabeth Plank, Myrtle Hazelwood and Edna Meade.

Services are at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, at Becker and Sons Funeral Home, Mount Olive, with the Rev. Robert Sabo officiating. Burial will be in Mount Olive Cemetery, Mount Olive.

Memorials are requested for the Mount Olive City Cemetery.

### Edwin Hawk

Edwin J. Hawk, 81, of Granite City, died at 11:02 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center after being ill for several months. He was born July 8, 1913, in Winchester, Ill., and had been a resident of Granite City for most of his life.

A machinist with General Steel Castings of Alton since 1962, he was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City and the Granite City Sports Hall of Fame and a World War II Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Elnora (Quinn) Hawk, whom he married June 7, 1941, at Sacred Heart Church; one son, Rev. Patrick Hawk, CSSA, of Amarillo, Texas; one daughter, Mary Ellen Pope of Granite City; one brother, Francis Hawk of Granite City; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Nora (Quinn) Hawk; and three brothers, Robert, Paul and Leo Hawk.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, where a prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Holy Family Catholic Church, 2606 Washington Ave., Granite City, with the Rev. William Fisher officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

Memorials in the form of Masses are suggested.

## Aid

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is being put on the Republican "fast track" agenda because it was assigned to the House Executive Committee rather than the Education Committee. Fast-track legislation are bills the Republicans have vowed to make law within the first 60 days of the session that started Jan. 11. Several fast-track issues have been assigned to the Executive Committee.

Executive Committee Chairman Rep. Ron Stephens, R-Troy, said the concern is premature and that the bill is not on the fast track.

"It is one of hundreds of proposals and it will get a thorough hearing," he said. "If it hurts the schools in my district, I certainly won't be for it, and this is certainly one area where Downstate Republicans and Democrats will be working together."

According to the state board analysis, schools in Stephens' district would have lost \$249,300 if the change had been in effect this year.

Rep. Tom Ryder's a deputy majority leader from Jerseyville, said he is not familiar with the bill and that changes in the school aid formula are not on the fast track. Downstate interests will be considered, he said.

From the Alton Telegraph

## Enid Shelton

Enid E. (Kinworthy) Shelton, 84, of Granite City, died at 8:29 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, 1995, at Missouri Baptist Hospital, St. Louis. She was born July 2, 1910, in Miller County, Mo., and had been a lifelong resident of Granite City.

A homemaker, she was a member of Second Baptist Church in Granite City, Senior Citizen Bowling League and several pinocchio groups.

Survivors include three daughters, Janet Werner and Ardath Platt, both of Florissant, and Vera McSparrin of Fort Mill, S.C.; eight

grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Myrtle Shelton, whom she married Nov. 5, 1927; one daughter, Linda R. Straud; and her parents, William Riley Kinworthy and Ardelia (McKee) Kinworthy.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City. Services are at 10 a.m. Friday at Second Baptist Church, 2100 Illinois Ave., Granite City, with the Rev. David Tyler officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for Second Baptist Church.

## Protest

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change the situation.

Williams hopes the message will get to Edgar.

"I consider Edgar a people's governor," Williams said.

"That's one reason he got elected — the people believe in him."

If the message doesn't make it to Edgar, Williams said, he and Love will organize a bus trip to Springfield and protest there.

Persons interested in participating in the bus trip and protest can contact Williams or Love at the New Salem Baptist Church, 453-3157.

"This is a great concern to our entire community. We feel this would be a devastating blow to the people of the Tri-Cities area and an extra burden on the poor," Williams said, noting that Granite City, Madison and Venice is the industrial center of the county.

"Even those who don't have a car can walk to Granite City, if they have to. There is no way you can walk to Edwardsville," he said.

John Hinkle, who works for a security company but is between jobs right now, said he has had a number of occasions to utilize the local employment office.

"I think (closing it) is wrong. We've got all the industries here and we've got nothing but politics in Edwardsville," Hinkle said.

An employee in the IDSS office said workers there have no control over the decision to close and that they first learned of the plan when they read about it in the Press-Record last week.

## Election

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The best place for this to be decided is in the courts," Nighohossian said.

Although the City Council authorized Nighohossian two years ago to pursue the matter in court, he never filed a lawsuit.

According to Burris' opinion, Hamm is a school board member and is serving only at the pleasure of the City Council until he is replaced by appointment.

"If the attorney general is correct and I am correct, when Hamm took the school board seat he vacated his aldermanic seat," Nighohossian said.

Tuesday night, the council voted 5-2 to rescind authorization for Nighohossian to file suit.

Hamm, Horton and alderman Eleanor Armour, Ron Grzywacz and Mike Vrabec voted to not seek a court decision on the matter.

Miller and Alderman Richard George voted to proceed with the lawsuit.

The action does not preclude someone else from filing suit.

Vrabec said that Hamm "has been very dedicated." He said it is not the place to file the lawsuit.

"Let someone outside the council pursue it," Vrabec said.

Both Nighohossian and Horton said all questions has to do with the offices, not the officeholder or how well he has performed.

Bellcoff urged Hamm to "get this question settled once and for all."

Hamm — who is unopposed in his bid for re-election in April — said the issue is "politically motivated."

## Accident

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Bargiel said.

"We hope to have it wrapped up in a few days," he said.

Gresham's 11-year-old son, a passenger in her car, suffered a broken ankle when the Rabbit hit the bridge, Bargiel said.

Although the accident took place in St. Clair County, a coroner's inquest will be held in Madison County because Gresham was pronounced dead there, Bargiel said.

From the Alton Telegraph

## Recycling

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and a clean merit will not.

City Inspector Vince Scrum said the city is lucky to get 20 percent participation in its pilot curbside recycling program implemented in about 1,500 homes.

He also said the city must get rid of about 3,000 used tires that have been dumped.

## Funeral summary

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

**BARGIEL, Rose (Rozycski)**, 81, of Granite City, died at 1:45 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 1995, at Caseyville Care Center, Caseyville. Services were held Wednesday at Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Tom Wise. Burial in Calvary Cemetery. Arrangements by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials to Masses.

**BECKMANN, Alma M.** (Romann), 92, of Granite City, died at 2:35 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, 1995, at Colonial Care Center, Granite City. Services were held Wednesday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Allen Reiter. Burial in Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery, Collinsville. Arrangements by Herr Funeral Home, Collinsville.

**HOLST, John Clarence Sr.**, 80, of Collinsville, died at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, 1995, at his residence. Services were held Monday at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Collinsville, by the Rev. Ronald Jansen. Burial in Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery, Collinsville. Arrangements by Herr Funeral Home, Collinsville.

**KENDALL, Wesley H.**, 75, of Collinsville, died at 10:19 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1995, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville. A memorial service was held Tuesday at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Collinsville, by the Rev. Robert Morris. Per Mr. Kendall's request, his remains were cremated. Arrangements by Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach.

**MCWHORTER, A. Ray** of Vallejo, Calif., formerly of Granite City, died Nov. 21, 1994, in Vallejo. A memorial service was held Nov. 27, 1994. His remains were cremated and buried at sea.

**MENG, Wilmer W.**, 91, of Fullerton, Calif., formerly of Granite City, died Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1995, in Fullerton. Services were held Tuesday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Tom Wise. Burial in Fullerton Cemetery, near Los Angeles.

**MUDD, Jerome J. "Jerry"**, 52, of Granite City, died at 4:10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 1995, at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center. Services were held Tuesday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Tom Wise. Burial in Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

**Memorials to the American Lung Association of Illinois**, 1. Christian Science Daily, P.O. Box 2276, Springfield, Ill., 62708.

**PEARCE, Julie (Miller)**, 72, of Madison, died at 4:38 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 28, 1995, at St. Mary's Health Center, Clayton, Mo. Services were held Wednesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Madison, by the Rev. Jim Keefner. Burial in Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements by Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, Madison. Memorials to St. Mary's Catholic Church, the American Diabetes Association or Catholic Charities in Granite City.

**STEIN, Angelika (Foschiatti)**, 71, of Granite City, died at 9:05 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, 1995, at her residence. Services were held Monday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City, by the Rev. Thomas Wise. Burial in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City.

**VENABLE, Herbert A.**, 69, of Granite City, formerly of St. Louis, died at 9:28 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, 1995, at his residence. Services were held Monday at Mercer Mortuary, Granite City, by the Rev. Tom McCure. Burial in Walker Hill Cemetery, Grand Tower, Ill.

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## Trivia answer

Korte Construction was awarded the contract Tuesday night with a low bid of \$570,000. Other bidders were S.M. Wilson (\$746,859) and Landmark (\$725,000).

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# People

Valentine's dance will benefit troupe



Kathy Dohnal

Kathy Dohnal covers the Madison-Venice scene for the Press-Record Journal. Articles can be sent to 2108 Larch or she can be contacted at 797-2077.

The following is a recipe submitted by Sharon Cass for the weekly recipe swap:

**Ham and noodle casserole**  
1 medium onion, chopped.  
1 stick of margarine  
1 package of egg noodles, cooked and drained  
1 1/2 cups diced ham  
1 cup sour cream  
1 package soup cream  
Marinate the onion in margarine in a skillet until tender. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and place in a 13-by-9 inch baking dish. Bake for 30 minutes in moderate oven.

The Old Times Sake Club met for an afternoon of quilt bingo on Jan. 15 at Holy Rosary Church in Fairmont City. The group met for dinner at Ravalli's on Jan. 17.

Attending were Gerry Mendez, Connie Grupus, Betty Butcher, Mary Firtos, Pat Scherrills, Kathy Dohnal and Pat Lalich.

The Madison Junior Service met Jan. 10 at the Recreation Center. President Carla Boeck conducted the business meeting.

A report was given on the past holiday auction held in November with the proceeds going to purchase food baskets and gift certificates for distribution at Christmas. A report was also given on the annual Christmas party held at Brenda's Restaurant in Granite City. The hostesses were Billie Bosworth, June Reynolds, Irene Orr, Mary Moore and Rita Barnhart. There were 40 members in attendance at the Christmas party.

A gift was presented to the club sponsor, Lillian Delphis, from the members. Cards were signed and sent to old members who have moved. Dorothy Lybarger of Tennessee, Rita Lybarger of Oklahoma, Jeanette Triant of California, and Eileen Hulskamp of New York. A gift certificate was also sent to David Becherer, who has served for the last few years as auctioneer at the hobby auctions. A spring hobby auction will be held March 14.

The hostesses of the meeting were Christine Lasbury and Nancy Bazzell. A new year's theme was used and dessert was served. The February hostesses will be Dorothy Hatfield and Carol Hamm.

Others attending were Vickie Wegryn, Jolleen Levy, Anna Roseman, Karen McIlroy, Mary Anna Kaminski, Charlene Voloski, Dolly Glasper, Roberta Crawford and Oodrea Buzzell, a guest.

The Parent's Club of the Polish Hall Dancers met on Jan. 18. Plans were made for the Valentine's dance to benefit the PHCV Dancing Troupe, which is sponsored by the St. Stanislaus Lodge 1004.

The dance will be held at the Polish Hall, 820 Greenwood, in Madison. The music will be provided by Jay Jay Polka Lovers. A donation of \$4 will be collected.

Cookbooks are still available by calling 876-0238.

In attendance were director Reggie Forsy, dance instructor Lasa Bush, John and Sandy Bisio, Celi Kowalewsky, Babbi Papa, Mike Papa, Kathy Dohnal, Rick and Debbie Tutka, Mary Lou Dohnal, Rose Krystofa, Mr. Denap, Bob Kult, Vince Dohnal, Suzy Holmes, Mark Guenther, Al Rueusing and Holly Kutoesky.

## Nominated to Air Force Academy

U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello (D-Bellville) has nominated Patricia Thompson of Granite City to the United States Air Force Academy, making her eligible for an appointment to the prestigious educational institution.

"One of my privileges as a U.S. congressman is to nominate high school students to our nation's military academies," Costello said. "I know that Patricia would be an excellent candidate for the U.S. Air Force Academy's fall class of 1995."

Thompson will graduate from Granite City Senior High School in May.

# From the South Pole to Tahiti

## Wildlife biologist Brent Houston lives an interesting life

By Hiley Schulte  
Staff writer

Brent Houston has gone a long way since his early days of checking out the critters in his parents' back yard in Granite City—all the way to the South Pole.

As a wildlife biologist, Houston, a former Granite City High School basketball player, travels, studies and teaches in many areas of the world, but the biggest part of his work is the study of penguins in Antarctica. Houston, 32, spends his winters—at least what most Illinoisans think of as winter—in Antarctica observing Adelie penguins. "It's summer there when it's winter here," said Houston.

But that does not mean that it is sunny and beach-like. In fact, the summer weather in Antarctica, from October to March, is more cold and treacherous than any winter in Granite City. Average temperatures at the South Pole are minus 56 degrees Fahrenheit.

Houston said his team rides the waves in a rubber boat checking on birds on 20 small islands, watching the clouds and wind closely.

A strong wind could flip over a boat, and if we fell into the water, we could freeze to death," he said.

He explained that if the weather turns really bad while they're out, they hurry back to their station or to a nearby island, noting that they keep extra food and equipment on some islands.

"Sometimes we just barely make it," he said.

Houston studies many things that affect penguins, including reproduction, the food chain, global warming and predators.

The study comes through banding and checking body weights on each of 400 petrel chicks, and some adults too, on 20 islands. Houston and his team check the nests four times a year to see how the chicks are progressing.

Records are kept on all the banded birds.

Houston said that aside from the constant threat of predators—namely skuas, a seagull-like

'What's fascinating is they return to the exact same nesting site as the year before. But what's really cool is that a male will find his nesting spot from atop three feet of snow sometimes.'

— Brent Houston

bird, and killer whales—the Adelie's chick-raising process is hard on both male and female penguins.

He said the males are the first to arrive in the spring after spending the rest of the year in the ocean feeding in and around pack ice. Once they are on the ground, they begin looking for a nest.

"What's fascinating is they return to the exact same nesting site as the year before. But what's really cool is that a male will find his nesting spot from atop three feet of snow sometimes," Houston said.

The males form a bowl-like burrow with their feet and body heat, eventually melting the snow down to the pebbles they need to build their nest.

After the female lays her pale green eggs, she immediately goes back to sea to eat while the male takes care of the eggs. Eventually, the male and female switch off nest-tending duties.

"Sometimes a male will go up to 40 days without eating and, of course, if the female dies while out at sea, the male will sometimes starve to death keeping the eggs warm," Houston said.

The eggs take 33 days to hatch and in 45 days the chicks are on their own.

Houston said that since penguins are close to the apex of the food chain, they are an excellent check for the health of the entire ecosystem. They feed on small shrimp-like krill which live in the ocean and around pack ice.

"Our hypothesis is the more



Wildlife biologist Brent Houston in Antarctica. Behind him are the objects of his study—Adelie penguins.

ice over the winter, the more habitat for the krill. The more krill, the more food there is for the penguins," he said.

According to Houston, in warmer winters, there is less ice, and less food. When this

happens, the penguins arrive in the spring in poorer condition.

This all leads to speculation about global warming. "What we're doing is getting a base of data on things like penguin survivability and pack ice volumes over time. Our theory is if global warming is occurring, it's going to show up in these areas in Antarctica," he said.

He said that based on 20 years of satellite data, it appears the number of colder winters in the area is decreasing.

And that theory leads to ozone depletion, which is also part of Houston's study.

To describe Antarctica's ozone depletion he suggested imagining Antarctica covered with a big cloud layer with holes poked in

various spots. He said depletion and replenishment are ongoing, but not necessarily at an equal rate.

"At one of these holes, for example, ultraviolet rays penetrate the water column and damage the food production in the water. The UV researchers have documented a 20 percent decrease in phytoplankton, which is what krill feed on," Houston said.

This disturbance in the food chain, in theory, should adversely affect the penguins. If that is the case, it will be observed by Houston.

While Houston lives some of the year under frigid conditions, other parts of the year he spends in the tropics.

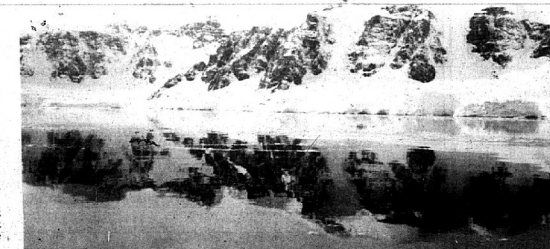
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A pair of Adelie penguins keep a watch over their eggs.



A female elephant seal takes a dip in the Antarctic sea.



The Neumeyer Channel at the Antarctic peninsula.



The Lamar Glacier at Antarctica.

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## •Biologist

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After his Antarctic winter, Houston usually spends about a month in South America. There he enjoys photographing and studying different species.

In the spring it's back to cold weather in Montana, where Houston makes his home. In Montana, Houston likes to ski, take pictures, ride his mountain bike, hike and prepare lectures and articles.

During the summer, Houston spends his time on a World Discoverer ship. The cruise ship travels to Siberia, Russia, Alaska and other places. He is a naturalist on the ship giving lectures and presenting slide shows on many species, including penguins and whales.

Houston spends the fall in the South Pacific at places like Tahiti. There he drives rubber Zodiak boats from the ship to the shore, giving tourists explanations on everything from snorkeling to coral reefs.

"I would like to be traveling and learning. I like to see different cultures and spend some time in them learning

about them, not just visiting," Houston said.

Houston said that ultimately, he'd like to teach high school biology or geography or "something."

"High school is a very influential time for people to get involved in some really important issues like conservation, environmental things and even wildlife management," he said.

Houston is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. He also attended Colorado State University, and took graduate classes at Idaho State University for a year and a half.

Even with such a busy schedule, Houston made it back to Granite City to see his parents, Richard and Barbara Houston, for Christmas, but it was the first time in 10 years.

"I come back when I can to visit my parents and my brothers and sister. But since I've been gone so long, I've kind of lost touch with a lot of folks there," Houston said.

He said that he enjoyed growing up in Granite City and thinks it was a good experience.

"Junior high and high school

were very good experiences because I felt very close to a lot of people in school. I played basketball. It's a nice location. You can go a lot of places from Granite City. Chicago's not too far away. St. Louis is just across the river, and the Ozarks are close," he said.

Houston said when he visits Granite City, it's usually in the fall because he "can't take the humidity anymore."

He said he was very glad to have gotten to spend Christmas in his hometown with his family, but noticed some changes to the area.

"The whole Nameoki area has really grown. Something that really struck me were the Christmas lights that people put up in their yards. That's really neat. You don't see much of that out west. Something else was the weather. It was 60 degrees on Christmas Day there, and 44 below when I got back home (Montana). That's like a hundred degree difference," he said. And something that Houston, who goes from the South Pole to the South Pacific every year, should be used to.



**Stylish** — Western Day at Wilson School produced a variety of costumes worn by students and teachers. Modeling their duds, above, are Whitney Glasgow, left, Stephanie Elsworth and Ashley Schmidt. At left are Trey Harris, left, Chad Harris and Ryan Laird.



(Staff photo by KYLE HESTER)

## Missionary to Spain to speak here

The Rev. Rick Cunningham, Assemblies of God missionary to Spain, will be the featured guest speaker at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, at First Assembly of God Church, 2314 Grand Ave., in Granite City, according to the Rev. Ben Leonard, pastor.

Cunningham and his wife, Jan, have been missionaries to Spain since 1985. During their first term, they were involved in the administration and direction of the Spanish Bible Institute, the pastoral training school of the Assemblies of God in Spain.

In the following term, they expanded the outreach of the Bible school by establishing training centers across Spain to give more young people the opportunity to prepare themselves for ministry.

Cunningham not only directs Spanish Bible Institute's extension program, but has been very involved in curriculum development. He has written study guides and teacher guides for six first-year courses and prepared teachers' helps for other courses.

## Auditions set for Saturday for musical

Auditions for the musical comedy "Bye Bye Birdie" will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, at the YMCA, 2001 Edison Ave., in Granite City.

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Conrad's arrival in Sweet Apple causes swoonings and chaos. There are roles for 10 men and women and 10 teenage boys and girls (will include singing and some dancing). Some non-singing roles are also available.

Auditioners are asked to bring a prepared two-minute musical selection and be prepared to sing from the score, read from the script and participate in dance auditions. (Please wear appropriate attire; no rubber-soled shoes.)

For additional information, call ShowTime Express at 876-6535.



Rick Cunningham

The public is invited to attend this missions presentation and learn more about the growing impact extension Bible training is having on Spain's young people.

## Pet adoption day

Madison County Humane Society is holding an Adopt A Pet Day on Feb. 4 from 12-4 p.m. at PetsMart in O'Fallon. Puppies, dogs, kittens and cats are available for adoption.

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## FAMILY



Noel Byrd  
and David Madrid  
Byrd-  
Madrid

Noel Elizabeth Byrd, daughter of Richard and Shirley Byrd of Granite City, and David Michael Madrid, son of Dr. Dominador and Mary Ann Madrid of St. Louis, have announced their engagement.

Byrd is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School and has been a member of the Missouri Air National Guard for eight years, presently holding the rank of technical sergeant. She is employed with A.G. Edwards and Sons Inc.

Madrid is a 1987 graduate of Lindbergh High School and a 1991 graduate of the University of Missouri at Rolla, where he earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He is employed with Illinois Power Company as an engineering representative.

The couple plan an October wedding.



Roberta Harshaw  
and Bruce Kinworthy  
Harshaw-  
Kinworthy

Roberta J. Harshaw, daughter of Robert Harshaw of Venice and Emma Harshaw of Granite City, and Bruce E. Kinworthy, son of Marvin Kinworthy of Granite City and the late Betty Kinworthy, have announced their engagement.

Harshaw is a 1991 graduate of Venice High School and currently attends Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus. She is employed with St. Elizabeth Medical Center as a certified nurse's aide.

Kinworthy is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1989 graduate of Ranken Technical College in St. Louis. He is employed with Mrs. Seibold's Bake Shop in Granite City as a driver.

The couple is planning a June 17 wedding at the Family Worship Center, Granite City.

Ostresh-  
Hughey

Tina Marie Hughey and Michael David Ostresh were married July 30, 1994, at the First Assembly of God Church in Granite City by the Rev. C. Dale Edwards.

The bride is the daughter of Barbara Montgomery of St. Louis and the late Robert Montgomery. The groom is the son of Lotie Ostresh of Granite City and the late George Ostresh.

Nicole Hughey, daughter of the bride, was the maid of honor. Thomas Ostresh was the best man.

Timothy Stambaugh and Richard Ostresh served as ushers.

The flower girls were April and Lindsay Ostresh. Erin Ostresh served as the guest book attendant.

Ron and Tammy Stegelmeyer provided the music and were accompanied by Dan Vizer.



Michael and  
Tina Ostresh

A reception was held at the Granite City Eagles Hall.

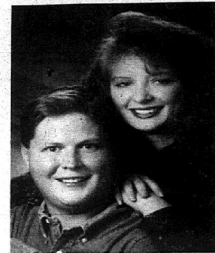
Following a Caribbean cruise honeymoon, the couple reside in Granite City.

Bolandis-  
Bartels

Beth Bolandis, daughter of Jerry and Janet Bolandis of Granite City and the granddaughter of Wanda Yeager of Granite City and Gerda Bolandis of Collinsville, and Timothy Bartels, son of Dale and Ann Bartels of Jerseyville, Ill., have announced their engagement.

Bolandis is a 1991 graduate of Granite City High School. In May, she will receive a bachelor's degree in human resource management from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. She is employed with Central Bank, Granite City, as a teller.

Bartels is a 1986 graduate of Jersey Community High School and a 1992 graduate of SIUE with a bachelor's degree in business and is currently working toward his master's degree at Webster University in St. Louis. He is employed with Wood River



Beth Bolandis  
and Timothy Bartels

Township Hospital, Wood River, as a business office manager.

The couple plan a May wedding at St. John United Church of Christ in Granite City.

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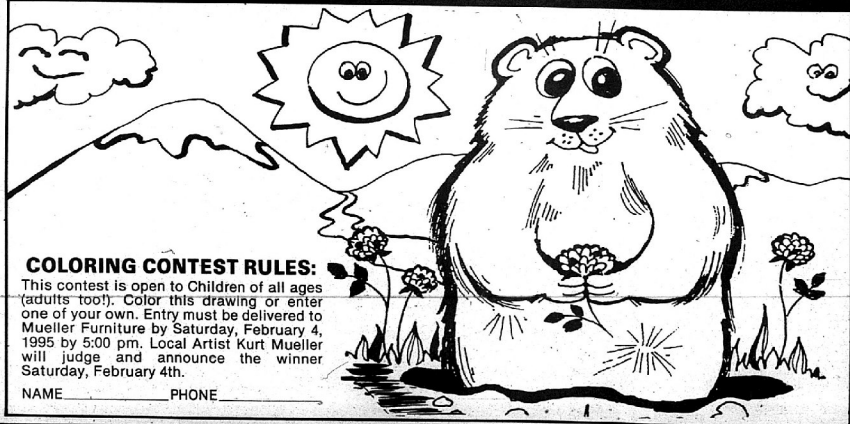
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## Ice-cold Warriors lose to Kahoks

By Tony Panozzo  
Staff writer

Countless turnovers, poor shooting and the presence of Cory Garcia added up to disaster for the host Granite City Warriors in Tuesday's 69-27 loss to Collinsville.

In a game that became a blowout in the second half, a dismal shooting performance over the second and third quarters did in the Warriors (2-5 in Southwest Conference play, 4-13 overall). Collinsville (6-0, 14-5) held Granite City to just one field goal in the middle periods, a buzzer-beating three-pointer by Jay Simpson that cut Collinsville's lead to 27-13 at halftime.

**THE KAHOKS PICKED UP** where they left off in the third quarter, outscoring the Warriors 24-2. Two free throws by Ray Smith at the 6:03 mark accounted for Granite City's only scoring in the third period.

Meanwhile, Garcia, Collinsville's 6-8 center, scored 11 of his game-high 19 points in the third quarter and converted a three-point play with 1:39 left to push the Kahoks' lead to 49-15. Doug Davinroy added a putback basket to make it 51-15 leading into the final quarter, and the Kahoks extended the lead to 40 points (55-15) with baskets by Davinroy and Craig Walter.

Collinsville 69, Granite City 27				
	2pt	3pt	FT	Pts
Collinsville	12	8	12	58
Granite City	1	0	2	2
Collinsville	12	8	12	58
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Rebounds — Collinsville 34, Granite 10				
Collinsville	12	8	12	58
Granite City	1	0	2	2



Ray Smith had 12 of the Warriors' 27 points Tuesday.

sions at one point in the second quarter during a 12-5 run by the Kahoks.

"THEY COULDN'T GET their shots to go down early," Collinsville coach Bob Bone said.

"They had a hard time shooting the ball. Any time you can't shoot the ball, you get frustrated."

"Our kids played well. We've had a lot of trouble coming over here in the past. I was con-

cerned coming here on a Tuesday night."

The game was rescheduled from Jan. 6 because of icy weather that night.

The Kahoks' pressure defense and the Warriors' offensive woes resulted in turnovers throughout the game. After Smith hit two free throws at the 4:58 mark in the second quarter, the Warriors did not score again until Simpson's three-pointer — which appeared to come on an attempt after the horn.

"Some of those turnovers were strictly unforced and no fault but our own," Granite City coach John Van Buskirk said. "I don't think it was Collinsville's pressure that did it. We had a bunch of turnovers, and when you're playing a team like Collinsville, you can't afford one of them. They might be the best team in the area."

"They came out hard in the third quarter. We talked about doing some things at halftime, and we didn't do any of them."

**GARCIA LED THE WAY** as the Kahoks went on a 6-0 run to begin the third quarter and then scored 18 straight points after Smith's free throws. Garcia and the rest of Collinsville's starters came out of the game early in the fourth quarter with the Kahoks up by more than 40 points.

It was yet another dominant performance by Garcia, a senior who has tormented Granite City and other area teams over the past three years.

"He does that to a lot of people," Bone said. "He's a good player, and has been for three years. One thing about Cory is, night in and night out, he's ready to play."

"He's a load for us to guard, and we never have been able to guard him," Van Buskirk said.

Joining Garcia in double figures for Collinsville were Davinroy with 14 points and Gary Wrigley with 10. Granite City was led by Smith's 12 points and had only five players score.

**THE WARRIORS SCORED** just 15 points through three quarters and nearly matched that output in the fourth quarter, when they scored most of their 12 points against Collinsville's reserves.

The Warriors will face another tough test Friday, when they take on Belleville East in an SWC game. On Saturday, Granite City will visit O'Fallon.

"We're playing our best schedule right now, and we're playing at rock bottom," Van Buskirk said.

Collinsville will go for its sixth straight victory Friday at home against Belleville West.

## Trojans' mistakes costly again against Saints

By Andrew Fales  
Correspondent

It's a good thing that Tuesday's game between Madison High and the visiting Springfield Calvary Saints wasn't on the radio.

No one could have heard a thing over the voice of Calvary coach Jim Drew.

**YELLING, STAMPING** and flailing, Drew spewed out enough hot air to fill the gym for weeks to come. But it worked as the Saints held off the Trojans, 53-44.

Madison (6-13), led by the three-point marksmanship of junior guard Tony Smith, came out swinging and remained in the game the whole way. But, once again for the Trojans, it was the distinction between "in the game" and "in the lead" that folked them.

"Once again, we were right there," said Madison coach Al Collins. "We've just got to find a way to get over that hump. It's more complicated than that, but we've got to do the fundamental things well. It's those things like



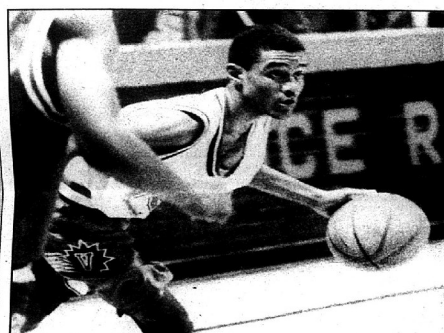
Cornell Cox of Madison looks to make a pass in a recent home game.

rebounding off the free throws that are keeping us from getting over the hump. Three straight times we missed those three

straight times they scored on it. That stuff is killing us, and it's driving me crazy."

Calvary 53, Madison 44				
	2pt	3pt	FT	Pts
Calvary	12	8	12	58
Madison	1	0	2	2

**THE TROJANS HAD A** huge opportunity to control the second half as Calvary forward Scott Robisch and center Kerry Hemphill each committed his fourth foul early in the third quarter. (See MADISON, Page 2B)



Kevin Roberts scored 26 points to key Venice's upset of Columbia on Tuesday.

## Red Devils surprise Eagles in overtime

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

There were many who probably thought, Tuesday's contest between Columbia and Venice would be a good game — for the Eagles.

The game was a good one, especially for the fans who packed the Venice High gym to see an exciting, come-from-behind 77-6 overtime win by the Red Devils.

**THE FINAL 12 minutes** were as thrilling as any basketball fan could ask for. The Red Devils (9-13) had surprised the Columbia faithful by maintaining a four-point lead throughout most of the third quarter and taking a two-point lead into the final period.

But the Eagles (14-4) played their best ball of the night in the fourth quarter, putting together a 15-0 run that gave them a 60-50 lead with 3:30 left. Ryan Patton, who had seven three-pointers and 31 points, sparked the run with eight points

Venice 77, Columbia 76 (OT)				
	2pt	3pt	FT	Pts
Venice	12	8	12	58
Columbia	1	0	2	2

in just over two minutes. But the Red Devils had the answer, in the name of Kevin Roberts. Roberts hit three three-pointers (See VENICE, Page 2B)

## Warriors hold off pesky Hazelwood West, 5-3



Clint Phelps controls the puck for the Granite City High hockey team.

By Andy Fales  
Correspondent

Monday's Mid-States Club Hockey Association matchup between the Granite City Warriors and the visiting Hazelwood West Wildcats was a showdown between contender and pretender.

The Warriors (15-2-3) have contended for the Tier II Gold Division all season, nipping at the heels of Hazelwood Central (15-1-2) the whole way. They proved too much for the Wildcats (4-13-1) in a 5-3 win at Wilson Park.

**IT WAS THE fourth straight** win for the Warriors, who will close the regular season Monday at home against Francis Howell. Granite City assistant coach Will Connolly said the Warriors did some fine-tuning against Hazelwood West.

"We went into tonight's game looking to work on a lot of things for the playoffs," Connolly said. "Breakouts, power plays — we checked them out

## Hockey

Granite City 5, Hazelwood West 3				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Granite City	1	2	2	5
Hazelwood West	1	1	1	3

**SHOTS ON GOAL**  
Granite City 9, Hazelwood West 6  
Granite City 9, Hazelwood West 6

and they didn't click. At least not as well as we would have liked with the postseason coming so fast. We have one more game yet, so we have a little more time, but we need to get ready now."

"I give a lot of credit to Hazelwood West for the way they played us. We beat them pretty bad the last time we

### Trivial matters

1. Since wrestling began as an IHSAA sport back in the 1930s, only one Metro East team has won a state championship. What year was that, and what was unusual about that state title?

2. Besides that one state championship for the Metro East, how many area schools have placed second in team state competition?

Answers at right.

### Community Sports Calendar

**Batter's Choice opens**  
Batter's Choice Academy, designed to assist baseball and softball players in developing their batting and pitching skills, is open for business. Located at 222 W. "B" St. in Belleville, the facility is equipped with three batting cages and two pitcher's mounds. The academy will be open year-round, with tentative hours of 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Cages and pitching mound times can be reserved by calling Batter's Choice at 277-0297.

### Coming up

**Regional time**  
T.J. Slay (left) and the Warriors wrestling team compete in the Cahokia Class AA Regional this Saturday.

**Trivia answers**  
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# 'Glass Menagerie' coming to SIUE

When "The Glass Menagerie" opened on Broadway in 1944, audiences discovered a new style of drama, a poetic style that was to make playwright Thomas Lanier Williams a pioneer in modern American theater.

It's a style that still holds up today, more than 50 years after its premiere, and director Lynn Kluth is excited about bringing "The Glass Menagerie" to the Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville stage.

The young playwright, who later became known as Tennessee Williams, continued to write more plays that have since become American classics, but to Kluth, an SIUE professor of theater and dance and chair of that department, it is "The Glass Menagerie" that contains the foundation of Williams' art.

SIUE audiences may divide for themselves when "The Glass Menagerie" is staged at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17-18 and 24-25, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26. All performances will be in the newly renovated SIUE Communications Building Theater.

"If you look at this play, it's actually plotless — episodic more than anything else, a totally introspective piece," Kluth said. "As Williams tells us in his notes, this is a 'memory' play; it totally takes place in Tom's head."

Tom Wingfield is the son of Amanda Wingfield and the brother of Laura, the young, withdrawn girl who lives in a fantasy world. The play deals with Tom and Laura attempting to find their own reality in an unrealistic world, chiefly created by their mother, a faded, Southern beauty clinging to the past and her children.

"1940s theater-goers were charmed by it," Kluth said. "They found it to be wistfully arranged; they were struck by its sentimentality. There were some earlier writers who had touched upon this in more traditional ways, but Williams was a poet first and a dramatist second and that makes all the difference."

"Although 'The Glass Menagerie' has no set line, it does have poetic images which appealed to audiences of that day. Late in World War II,

Americans were in an introspective state of mind. We were ready for change in the theater."

"The one universal that Williams struck with this play, in my mind, is that every thinking human being at one time or another in his or her life is compelled to define a personal reality," Kluth said. "This is the spine of the play, dealing with a great need to come to terms with reality. Amanda is victim of a past reality, while Laura is desperately trying to establish a reality that is terrifyingly self-contained. Laura needs that as a person who has no self-confidence."

As for the SIUE production, the director is enthusiastic. "It is, after all, Kluth's swan song at SIUE. He is retiring at the end of the current academic year, after 30 years with the department."

"We've got a great design team," he said. "I asked them to find ways to make manifest what happens in a person's head. We're working with the idea that Tom is recalling these events, words and all, that there is no attempt to romanticize these recollections."

"I've asked for very careful thinking in the areas of colors and textures. We're not doing a musical. We want to keep it as honest and compelling as we can, to make it as human as we can."

The cast features Sandra Stove of Granite City as Amanda; Michelle Tisdall of Florissant, Mo., as Laura; Mike Seibel of Granite City as Tom; and Matt Young of Decatur as Jim. Stover recently directed the SIUE production of "A Woman With" and Tisdall, Seibel and Young may be remembered by audiences as part of the action in the SIUE production of "The Fifth of July," the first offering of the current theater season.

Kluth says he is enjoying his final contribution to theater in southwestern Illinois. Tickets for "The Glass Menagerie" are \$6 for the public; and \$4.50 for SIUE faculty, staff and alumni students and senior citizens. For reservations, call the SIUE school of Fine Arts box office at 692-2774.



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Rehearsing for "As You Like It" are, from left, Amy Mohme of Collinsville as Rosalind, Victoria Edrington of Granite City as Celia, Jim Fensterman of Granite City as Touchstone, Lee Cooper of Granite City as Lord One of the Court,

Keith Huskamp of Fairmont City as LeBeau; seated, Tim Weiss of Collinsville as Duke Frederick; and John Laird of St. Louis as Orlando and Kevin Kavanaugh of Granite City as Charles the wrestler.

## Shakespeare coming to Miner's Theater

By Alene Hill  
Correspondent

Anyone looking for an opportunity to brush up on Shakespeare — and donate to the restoration of Miner's Theater in the process — can catch one of three performances of "As You Like It" at the theater this weekend.

The production is the work of the Provost's Players, a group of actors sponsored by the Shakespeare Society at Belleville Area College's Granite City campus.

"This is a wonderful opportunity... for actors as well as the audience," said director Michael Oliver. "It's a real challenge and a treat for an actor to do Shakespeare," he said. "And small communities rarely have the chance to see Shakespeare live... they require such large casts."

What Oliver has discovered working in small towns like Granite City and Collinsville has been a pleasant surprise. He said he has learned to disregard "labels about what people will or won't come see."

"We have done 'Henry IV, Part I' and 'King Lear,'" he said. "We were dreading it; we had no idea who would come. But we had an average audience of around 100 — a good draw for Shakespeare."

As the title suggests, "As You Like It" has something for everyone: two princesses in

disguise to be courted and won, a handsome hero and a duke who has been banished from his throne.

And if a performance of a good Shakespeare comedy seems a bit intimidating, everyone in this production is ready to prove that all you have to do is show up.

"It's really just a matter of getting used to the rhythm. But then you get into it and it's very rewarding," said Amy Mohme, a Collinsville resident playing Rosalind, the female lead.

Once you get into it, she had graduated from high school that Mohme became interested in acting. Since then, she has appeared in both "Henry IV" and "King Lear" with the group, as well as several productions in St. Louis.

Mohme will be leaving the area soon, and perhaps attending Columbia College in Missouri to continue her work in drama. Tim Weiss' familiarity with Shakespeare was limited to what he knew from a literature class he took at Collinsville High School.

"Once you get into it, it takes on a whole new life," he said. Weiss plays Duke Ferdinand, a character he describes as unhappy and mean, whose favorite hobby is banishing everyone in sight.

The hero, Orlando, is played by St.

Louisan John Laird, who explains the experience of doing Shakespeare as essential to honing acting skills.

"Any actor worth his salt wants to do Shakespeare," he said. With several stage performances, a couple of film credits and commercials and a degree from SIUE under his belt, Laird plans on heading for Los Angeles and a film career.

"It's a matter of projection," he said. "I think I'm better suited to film."

This is not the first time Jim Fensterman has played the Miner's Theater. "I did several productions here with the Masquers," he said of the Collinsville theater group that disbanded in the 1980s. The Granite City resident plays Touchstone, a court jester. Touchstone, he said, has fun with the other characters and "states truths others are not capable of doing."

"I think, unfortunately, that most people have had only this academic approach to Shakespeare," he said. "But Shakespeare is lively and bawdy, and lots of fun. It's nice to be back here in this old theater," he added. "This place was made for this."

Performances are at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3 and 4. The Sunday, Feb. 5 matinee will be at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door.

## Jazz fans can get their fill at BAC this month

Jazz fans can expect to hear the music of one of the country's foremost woodwind artists, popular Metro East jazz combos, music students from all over the St. Louis area, and a long-time Belleville Area College jazz favorite, throughout February at BAC.

Jazz Up February is BAC's month-long music festival featuring some of the area's top names in jazz.

The Jazz Up February lineup will include: "SIUE Jazz Combo" — Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville Jazz Combo will perform Wednesdays at noon on Feb. 1, 8, 15, and 22 in the Student Lounge on the first floor at BAC's Belleville Campus.

"Woodwind Clinic" — Renowned woodwind artist Chris Vadala will lead a woodwind clinic from 1:30-2:30 p.m., Feb. 24 in the Belleville Campus Theatre. Vadala, director of Jazz Studies at the University of Maryland, spent 14 years as a woodwind artist with the Chuck Mangione Quartet. He has toured worldwide and performed on five gold and two platinum albums.

"Open Dress Rehearsal" — Chris Vadala and the BAC Jazz Band will take the opportunity to warm up together at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 24 in the Belleville Campus Theatre, in preparation for a concert Feb. 25.

\* Jazz Festival — BAC will

host a non-competitive jazz festival for area college, high school and junior high school jazz bands and combos. The festival will be held from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Feb. 25, in the Belleville Campus Theatre. Ten schools will be selected to participate in the festival. Each group will be allotted 45 minutes to perform and work with Chris Vadala.

\* Jazz Concert — Chris Vadala will be a guest soloist with the BAC Jazz Band in a concert at 5:15 p.m., Feb. 25 in the

Belleville Campus Theatre.

\* Jazz Up Sunday — The Jazz Incredibles will perform for the annual Belleville Area College Foundation benefit concert at 2 p.m., Feb. 26 at Fischer's Restaurant at 2100 W. Main Street in Belleville. The trio includes Jean Kittrell on the piano, David "Red" Lehr on the saxophone, and John Becker on the banjo. Tickets for the concert are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Proceeds will go to the Foundation's Fine Arts Enhancement Grant Fund. For

information on Jazz Up Sunday or to buy tickets, call the BAC Foundation at 235-2700, extension 215 or toll-free in Illinois at 1-800-BAC-5131, extension 215.

All events are free and open to the public except for the Jazz Up Sunday concert.

For more information about Jazz Up February, call Music Faculty Member Jerry Bolen at 235-2700, extension 254, or toll-free in Illinois at 1-800-BAC-5131, extension 354.

## Horoscope

Thursday, Feb. 2  
Good will generated yesterday will carry you through today — and imaginative ideas can be sold to the contratives where backing you not. Sentimentality is always prevalent while the moon is in Pisces, so a little note to a neglected loved one will bring total absorption. Enjoy a long chat with a confidant tonight — verbal expression improves understanding.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A sense of déjà vu may pervade in the morning, or you may awaken from a strong dream of someone you haven't thought of in years. Your best career allies are the associates you work with — don't skip a meeting.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Libraries or file closets are the lucky locations, and research projects are the favored tasks. Investigate ways to increase your income. Take time for sweet nothings with your sweetie tonight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Closeness in the family will be a priority through the weekend. You're let in on a decision-making process at work. And you can easily have a big deal completed by the end of the day. No matter what you're loved.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): An inspiring day and evening send you to heights of hope. Look deeply into the potential of opportunities that come over the next week — you'll have to make a choice and then concentrate your energies.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Learn something new while your focus is sharp. The evening may bring a message or information you've been waiting for, so take all calls. You're ready to meet new people and enjoy a different kind of fun.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 2): Love with the proper person motivates you to make the most of fast-breaking opportunities that come without warning through '96. Ask for a better job in February and March — a sudden change works strongly in your favor in April. Love waits for you between May and July. Relocation, self-employment or a new career direction are possible after October.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Forming a partnership can be a great learning experience, even if it's got its ups and downs. Let go of doubts, even as you exercise judgment. A strong home life is your mainstay tonight — rest up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Important new tasks may be awarded today — you're ready to tackle them. Details count, so check them carefully. Capitalize on yesterday's goodwill to get cooperation from those you work with.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Follow the old-fashioned route when it comes to personal and public relations — your generosity to family and dependability in job matters is your key to success.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The planning process is going smoothly — you're very involved in future-oriented matters, such as practical training courses to improve earning power and job prospects. Be open to meeting new people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Terrific savings on regular expenses may be discovered by careful examination of a household budget. A friendly relationship with a neighbor can be the best security you have.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your energy is high, and you have a chance to gain by way of a surprise new turn in job affairs. You may run into an old friend or come across an old photo that reminds you of a promise made long ago.



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# SS records: numbers vs. names

By Bill Hunt  
Social Security Administration

Have you ever wondered why Social Security goes by numbers instead of names? According to the last count, 3,376,494 Social Security numbers have been issued to people named Smith, the most common surname on Social Security Administration (SSA) records. The next most common name is Johnson, with 2.6 million.

According to SSA records, there are more Whites (97,000) than Blacks (211,000), but more Browns (nearly 2 million) than any other "color." There are more Youngs (650,000) than Olds (11,000), a few more Knights (195,000) than Days (145,000) and far more Moores than Lessers (992,000 to 6,324, more or less).

Q. I received a letter last week asking me a lot of questions about my health insurance. Why was I sent this letter? Is this related to the fact that I just went on Medicare?

A. Recent Medicare enrollees have been sent a questionnaire from the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), the federal agency that oversees Medicare and

Medicaid. The questionnaire asks about other health care coverage you have.

Complete the questionnaire and return it in the self-addressed envelope included in the package. Your responses will be used to determine whether Medicare or some other health insurance should be the primary payer on your medical claims. Other insurance could be considered primary if it is based on your current employment or your spouse's current job.

Don't fail to reply. If you don't furnish the information requested, Medicare won't pay your claims. If you need help with the questionnaire, call the toll-free telephone number included with it.

Q. I'm going to be working in Canada for an indefinite period. How will this affect my Social Security protection?

A. Social Security has an international Social Security agreement with Canada, and 15 other countries. These agreements coordinate the respective Social Security systems. The agreement with Canada will help you fill the gap in your benefit protection and also eliminate dual Social Security coverage and taxation.

For answers to specific questions about the agreements, you can write to the Social Security Administration, Office of International Policy, P.O. Box 17741, Baltimore, Md. 21235.

Q. I'm going to start my own business in my home. Do I need to fill out paperwork with Social Security so I pay the proper taxes?

A. You'll report your earnings from self-employment when you file your federal income tax return. If your net earnings are \$400 or more, you'll report your earnings on a Schedule SE.

The Social Security tax rate for 1995 is 15.3 percent on net earnings from self-employment up to \$61,200. You will have to pay the Medicare portion of the Social Security tax, 2.9 percent, on earnings above \$61,200. For more detailed information, call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 and ask for the fact sheet titled "If You're Self-Employed."

Address questions for Bill Hunt to West County Publications, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

## Family theater

# Horse tales fine fodder for viewing

By Jane Cosby  
Correspondent

Take several wild gypsies known as Travelers, add a dear departed soul who can't rest in peace and two neglected, pitiful children, and you've got the heroic characters for the movie "Into the West" from Touchstone Home Video.

The movie starts off dark and depressing, portraying a drunken father, life on welfare in the Irish projects and a crooked cop. But it gets better when the kids take off on a magical horse into the West to be cowboys.

This modern fairy tale features mean adults at every turn, a father who can't take care of his children and the spirit of the boy's mother who returns to

save her children.

Like all fairy tales, the story builds from a grim and stark beginning to a mystical, but happy, ending.

Due to the serious subject matter in the beginning of the movie and the difficulty in understanding the actors' Irish accents throughout the movie, it isn't recommended for preschoolers. (87 minutes, PG rating.)

**A BOY AND HIS HORSE:** One of the best horse stories ever filmed has to be "The Black Stallion" from MGM UA Home Video. This wonderful movie about a boy and an Arabian stallion who are shipwrecked together on a deserted island and form an unbreakable bond is a must for horse lovers of all ages.

The movie stars Teri Garr,

Mickey Rooney and Kelly Reno, as the young boy. Although all give great performances, the star of the show is the horse.

Of course, there is a horse race and an improbable, but predictable, ending. It's a great movie for family viewing. (117 minutes, G rating.)

**DON'T TRY IT AGAIN:** Unfortunately for the black stallion, it's often true that you can't go home again. The sequel, "The Black Stallion Returns" from CBS Fox Video isn't up to the standards of the original.

In this movie, the stallion returns to his desert home and, of course, there is another race. There is little footage of the horse, and the story gets tedious almost immediately. (103 minutes, PG rating.)

Although Mickey Rooney gives

a great performance in "The Black Stallion," don't be fooled by another of his movies.

"Lightening, The White Stallion" from Media Home Entertainment, Inc. is more than just a horse of a different color. It's a movie of a different caliber — bad. It has poor acting, a badly written script and an overused plot. Skip this horse movie, even the kids won't watch it. (83 minutes, PG rating.)

Jane Cosby is a former teacher and the mother of two.

Do you have a little-known favorite family film? Send the name, distributor and the year it was made with your name and telephone number to: Family Theater, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

## BAC employee training program offers incentives

In the business world, employees often are reimbursed for work-related expenses, such as mileage and buying office supplies, but it's unusual for employers to be reimbursed for similar expenses, such as employee training.

Now, however, it is possible for area companies to recoup some of the money spent on employee training, through an ongoing program conducted by Belleville Area College's Business Assistance Center in conjunction with the Illinois Manufacturers' Association.

In October, the IMA awarded a \$220,000 grant to BAC to fund an Industrial Training Program. In this program, the Business Assistance Center provided requested employee training.

The IMA's allocation to BAC is a portion of the \$1.5 million in funding the IMA received from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs to implement industrial training programs throughout the state.

Program guidelines allow for IMA-member companies to be reimbursed up to 75 percent for employee training costs. Casey Laumbatus, ITP project coordinator for BAC's Business Assistance Center, said "Employee training is a must for companies that want to stay profitable and have an efficient workforce."

"Before we can ask employees to properly operate a piece of equipment or give statistical information, we have to make sure that they're qualified," Laumbatus said.

Employee training is held at BAC's campuses in Belleville, Granite City and Red Bud; at BAC's Industrial Training Center, located on the Granite City Campus; and on-site, at the business or indus-

try receiving the training.

The training site is determined by what is most convenient for the employees receiving the training.

Laumbatus said the training is designed for "medium to medium-large" sized companies, with between 10 to 20 employees attending each training session.

Employee training is offered in several areas, including: changing technology and computer software, new machinery or equipment; and implementing total quality management.

Two area businesses already participating in the Industrial Training Program are B-Line Systems Inc. in Troy and Basler Electric, based in Highland. Officials with both companies said the ITP has been very beneficial.

Roy Hunter, plant superintendent for B-Line systems, said BAC is providing some much-needed welding training.

"The majority of our new employees have very little welding experience," Hunter said. "Hopefully, by including this training, we will increase our productivity and overall quality."

Charles Wright, manager of training at Basler Electric, said the ITP was appealing because the training needs of his company exceed Basler's staffing and training resources.

"We had a need, prompted by an internal request, for computer training," Wright said. "We put up a roster, thinking we'd have 15 to 20 people sign up. But, this has just mushroomed, and now we have a significant number signed up for training."

Wright added that about 30 Basler employees are taking classes in machine shop math and blueprint reading.

## Lecture highlights month at Mounds

A storytelling program, a new exhibit and a lecture highlight February activities at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site.

American Indian stories, myths and legends will be told by Evelynne Wankinney Voelker, a Comanche storyteller, on Friday, Feb. 4, at 2 p.m. in the Interpretive Center auditorium.

Voelker, director of the American Indian Center of Mid-America in St. Louis, is presenting the free program in conjunction with the St. Louis Arts and Education Council Weekend.

"The Illinois Prairie," a free public lecture by Randy Nyboer, will be given Sunday, Feb. 26, at 2 p.m.

Before the arrival of the plow, more than two-thirds of Illinois was prairie, hence the nickname, "Prairie State."

Nyboer, an employee of the Illinois Department of Conservation from Sterling, Ill., will focus on the plants that were native to the prairies, including the numerous tall and short grasses and flowering plants, as well as the different types of prairies.

"Native Plants and Animals" is the theme of a new exhibit which will continue through mid-June.

The exhibit focuses on the wide range of flora and fauna that were native to the central Midwest and how many of them were utilized by the Indians for food, clothing, shelter, medicine, dyes, fibers, weaving, glue and tools.

The exhibit features photographs, illustrations and mounted animal and plant specimens.

Cahokia Mounds will be closed Presidents' Day, Monday, Feb. 20, but will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. the rest of the month.

Self-guided tours are available for three site interpretive trails and a five-mile nature-culture hike.

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